U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Availability of the Lakeview Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the National Environmental Policy Act, the Bureau of Land Management is making the Proposed RMP/FEIS available for public review. The planning area encompasses approximately 3.2 million acres of public land managed by the Lakeview Resource Area, Lakeview District, in Lake and Harney Counties in southeastern Oregon and small, contiguous portions of Modoc and Washoe Counties located in northeastern California and northwestern Nevada. The final decision will supercede existing land use plans and provide management direction for these public lands for approximately 20 years.

The public now has the opportunity to provide comments or protest the Proposed RMP/FEIS. Any person who participated in the planning process and has an interest which may be adversely affected may protest. Protests must be filed no later than March 3, 2003.

Complete instructions on how to properly file a protest are contained in the cover letter in Volume I of the document. For additional information on the planning or protest process contact Paul Whitman, Bureau of Land Management, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630; Telephone (541-947-6110), Fax (541-947-6399), or email (pwhitman@or.blm.gov). Documents pertinent to this plan may be examined at the Lakeview District Office during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays). Interested persons not already on the mailing list may review the Proposed RMP/FEIS via the internet at www.or.blm.gov/Lakeview/Planning or request a hard copy or CD-ROM copy of the document at the address and phone number above. The Approved RMP/Record of Decision is expected to be available for public review in summer 2003 after resolution of any protests.